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U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics

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MEMBER / OFFICER POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

OFFICE OF THE CLERK
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from a private source for travel taken in connection with a Member or officer's official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the Member or officer's annual Financial Disclosure Statement. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, you must **complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, 135 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please do not file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

1. Name of Traveler: Kyle Mark Takai
2. a. Name of accompanying relative: Sami Aya Takai or None ☐
b. Relationship to Traveler: ☒ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
3. a. Dates of departure and return: Departure: 08/02/2015 Return: 08/10/2015
b. Dates at personal expense: _____ or None ☒
4. Departure city: Honolulu Destination: Israel Return city: Los Angeles
5. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): American Israel Education Foundation
6. Describe meetings and events attended (attach additional pages if necessary): To develop a further Understanding from decision makers on the broader impact of the United State's po
7. Attached to this form are EACH of the following (*signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*):
 - a. ☒ a completed Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form;
 - b. ☒ the Primary Trip Sponsor Form completed by the trip sponsor prior to the trip, including all attachments and Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms;
 - c. ☒ page 2 of the completed Traveler Form submitted by the Member or officer; *and*
 - d. ☒ the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the sponsor's agenda. (*Signify that statement is true by checking box*): ☒
b. If not, explain: _____

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge. I have determined that all of the expenses on the attached Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form were necessary and that the travel was in connection with my duties as a Member or officer of the U.S. House of Representatives and would not create the appearance that I am using public office for private gain.

SIGNATURE OF MEMBER:



DATE: 08/24/2015

U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Ethics

SPONSOR POST-TRAVEL DISCLOSURE FORM

This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. ***A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within 10 days of their return.*** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

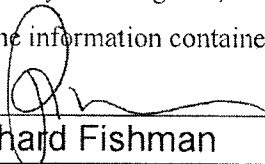
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1. Sponsor(s) (who paid for the trip): American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
2. Travel Destination(s): Israel
3. Date of Departure: August 2, 2015 Date of Return: August 11, 2015
4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Rep. Mark Takai and Mrs. Sami Takai
(NOTE: You may list more than one traveler on a form only if all information is identical for each person listed.)
5. **Actual amount** of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in response to Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	\$6,416.59	\$1,524.65	\$1,184.74	\$2,622.87 (breakdown attached)
Accompanying Relative	\$6,735.09	\$1,524.65	\$1,184.74	\$2,622.87 (breakdown attached)

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. (Signify statement is true by checking box): ☒

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name: Richard Fishman

Title: Executive Director

Organization: American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)

I am an officer of the above-named organization (signify statement is true by checking box): ☒

Address: 251 H Street NW

Washington, D.C. 20001

Telephone number: (202) 639-5233

Email Address: rfishman@aiefdn.org

Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at (202) 225-7103.

American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
Educational Seminar in Israel
Democratic Members of Congress
August 3-11, 2015

FINAL Breakdown of Other Expenses

Security: \$646.99 per person

-AIEF considers the security of its trip participants as its highest priority. A security team accompanies all participants throughout the trip.

Room Rentals: \$632.61 per person

-The cost of renting rooms at hotels and restaurants for meetings and meals with speakers.

Other: \$349.27 per person

-Water, snacks

-Briefing materials

Speaker Fees: \$278.85 per person

-Honoraria for guest speakers

Tour Guide: \$187.66 per person

-As a detailed historical understanding is crucial to maximizing the educational aspect of the trip, a licensed tour guide accompanies the group throughout the trip.

Tour Guide/Driver/Security/Speaker Meals: \$174.64 per person

Tour Guide/Driver/Security Hotels: \$170.68 per person

Entrance Fees: \$105.77 per person

-Several sites require an entrance fee, including the southern Western Wall excavations and the holy sites around the Sea of Galilee.

Tips: \$52.06 per person

-It is customary to tip the driver and tour guide that accompany trip participants.

Photographer: \$24.35 per person

-A photographer is present at meetings with dignitaries.

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TRAVELER FORM

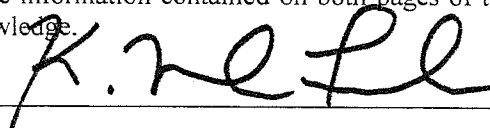
This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. *Form (and any attachments) may be faxed to the Committee at (202) 225-7392, sent or delivered to the Committee at 1015 Longworth, or e-mailed to travel.requests@mail.house.gov.*

YOUR COMPLETED REQUEST MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMITTEE NO LESS THAN 30 DAYS BEFORE YOUR PROPOSED DEPARTURE DATE. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.

Name of Traveler: Kyle Mark Takai

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I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name of signatory (if other than traveler): _____

For staff, name of employing Member or committee: _____

Office address: 422 Cannon House Office Building

Telephone number: 202-225-2726

Email address of contact person: Sean.Callahan@mail.house.gov

- ☐ Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If there are any questions regarding this form please contact the Committee:

Committee on Ethics
1015 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
(202) 225-7103 (phone)
(202) 225-7392 (fax)
Travel email: travel.requests@mail.house.gov

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TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Kyle Mark Takai
2. Sponsor(s) (who will be paying for the trip): American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
3. Travel destination(s): Israel
4. a. Date of departure August 2, 2015 Date of return: August 11, 2015
b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If yes, dates at personal expense: _____
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a relative at the sponsor's expense? ☒ Yes ☐ No
b. If yes:
(1) Name of accompanying relative: Sami Aya Takai
(2) Relationship to traveler: ☒ Spouse ☐ Child ☐ Other (specify): _____
(3) Accompanying relative is at least 18 years of age: ☒ Yes ☐ No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "yes" to Question 9(d) on the Primary Trip Sponsor Form (*i.e.*, travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent and you are requesting lodging for two nights)? ☐ Yes ☒ No
b. If yes, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted:

7. Primary Trip Sponsor Form is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms: ☒ Yes ☐ No
NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.
8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.
As a Member of the House Armed Services Committee, this trip is
directly related to my committee duties and will help me understand
foreign policy issues being confronted by our allies in the middle east.
9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved in planning, organizing, requesting, and/or arranging the trip? ☐ Yes ☒ No

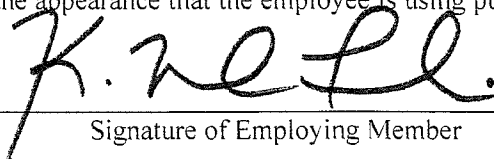
10. **FOR STAFF TRAVELERS:**

TO BE COMPLETED BY YOUR EMPLOYING MEMBER:

ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Date: 7-2-2015



Signature of Employing Member

U.S. House of Representatives
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PRIMARY TRIP SPONSOR FORM

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a Traveler Form at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should NOT submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee Web site (ethics.house.gov) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor (who will be paying for the trip): American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed (in whole or in part) by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒
3. Check only one: I represent that:
 - a. the primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip ☒ or
 - b. the trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds ☐ or
 - c. the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities. ☐If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: _____
4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members and employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary).
Please see attached
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying relative of the House invitee(s)? ☐ Yes ☐ No
6. Date of departure: August 2, 2015 Date of return: August 11, 2015
7. a. City of departure: Hondulu, HI, spouse Hondulu, HI
b. Destination(s): Israel
c. City of return: Los Angeles, CA; spouse Hondulu, HI
8. I represent that (check one of the following):
 - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965: ☐ or
 - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent ☒ or
 - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event and lobbyist/foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations. ☐
9. Check one of the following:
 - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above ☒
 - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging. ☐
 - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night. ☐ or
 - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights: ☐If "d" is checked, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: _____

10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities the House invitees will be participating in during the travel (*i.e.*, an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees) (*indicate agenda is attached by checking box*): ☒
11. Check one:
- I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip (*signify that the statement is true by checking box*): ☒ or
 - N/A – trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education ☐
12. For each sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip and its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:
AIEF is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization with the fundamental purpose of educating policy makers and opinion leaders about the U.S.-Israel relationship. AIEF is solely responsible for recruiting, coordinating, executing and funding all aspects of the trip.

13. Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary.
- Mode of travel: Air ☒ Rail ☐ Bus ☐ Car ☐ Other ☐ (Specify: _____)
 - Class of travel: Coach ☐ Business ☒ First ☐ Charter ☐ Other ☐ (Specify: _____)
 - If travel will be first class or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:
n/a

14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). (*signify that the statement is true by checking box*): ☒
15. I represent that either (*check one of the following*):
- The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees: ☐ or
 - The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation: ☒
 If "b" is checked:
 - Detail the cost per day of meals (approximate cost may be provided): _____
\$157.14
 - Provide reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: _____
The trip will take place in Israel in order to educate members of Congress and Congressional staff about the U.S.-Israel relationship.

16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
- | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|---|-------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Hotel name: | <u>King David Hotel</u> | City: | <u>Jerusalem</u> | Cost per night: | <u>\$407s/\$434d</u> |
| Reason(s) for selecting: | <u>location and affordability</u> | | | | |
| Hotel name: | <u>The Scots Hotel</u> | City: | <u>Tiberias</u> | Cost per night: | <u>\$458s/\$491d</u> |
| Reason(s) for selecting: | <u>location and affordability</u> | | | | |
| Hotel name: | <u>Sheraton Hotel</u> | City: | <u>Tel Aviv</u> | Cost per night: | <u>\$253</u> |
| Reason(s) for selecting: | <u>dayroom to prepare for departure</u> | | | | |

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17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. (signify that the statement is true by checking box): ☒

18. TOTAL EXPENSES FOR EACH PARTICIPANT:

<input type="checkbox"/> actual amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good faith estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$6,426.26	\$2949.50	\$1,100
For each accompanying relative	\$6,426.26	\$181.50	\$1,100

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or employee	\$1,883.61	Please see attached
For each accompanying relative	\$1,883.61	Please see attached

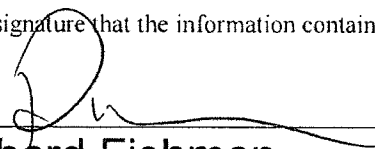
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19. Check one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below ☒ or
b. N/A – sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education. ☐

20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip. ☒

21. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: 

Name: Richard Fishman

Title: Executive Director

Organization: American Israel Education Foundation (AIEF)

Address: 251 H Street NW. Washington DC. 20001

Telephone number: (202) 639-5233

Email address: rfishman@aiefdn.org

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The Honorable Mark Takai
U.S. House of Representatives
422 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your and your spouse's proposed trip to Israel,¹ scheduled for August 2 to 11, 2015, sponsored by the American Israel Education Foundation.

You must complete a Member/Officer Post-Travel Disclosure Form and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. You must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$375 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

Because the trip may involve meetings with foreign government representatives, we note that House Members may accept, under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (FGDA), gifts "of minimal value [currently \$375] tendered as a souvenir or mark of courtesy" by a foreign government. Any tangible gifts valued in excess of minimal value received from a foreign government must, within 60 days of acceptance, be disclosed on a Form for Disclosing Gifts from Foreign Governments and either turned over to the Clerk of the House, or, with the written approval of the Committee, retained for official use.

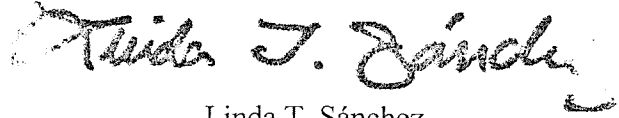
¹ The U.S. Department of State has issued a warning concerning travel to Israel, the West Bank, and Gaza, available at <http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/alertswarnings/israel-travel-warning.html>. You may wish to contact the State Department regarding the safety of your proposed trip.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Charles W. Dent". The signature is stylized with a large "C" and "D".

Charles W. Dent
Chairman

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Linda T. Sanchez". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Linda T. Sánchez
Ranking Member

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**American Israel Education Foundation
Educational Seminar in Israel
U.S. Democratic Members of Congress
August 3-11, 2015**

Monday, August 3, 2015

- Afternoon Members will fly from various cities to Newark Liberty International Airport or
John F. Kennedy International Airport
- 10:45 PM Flight departs Newark Liberty International Airport
- 11:15 PM Flight departs John F. Kennedy International Airport

Tuesday, August 4, 2015

- Afternoon Arrive at Ben-Gurion Airport
Transfer to Jerusalem
Check in to the King David Hotel
- 7:00 PM Gather in lobby
- 7:30 PM *Orientation and Political Update*
- at the hotel, Ambassador's Hall
- 8:15 PM *Pulse of the Nation*
Dinner with Matti Friedman, Author and Journalist
- at the hotel, Ambassador's Hall
- 9:45 PM Overnight at the King David Hotel

Wednesday, August 5, 2015

- 8:00 AM Breakfast is served
- at the hotel, Ambassador's Hall
- 8:30 AM *Israel's Quest for Peace: Israeli-Palestinian Negotiations*
Breakfast with Dr. Tal Becker
Principal Deputy Legal Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- at the hotel, Ambassador's Hall
- 9:45 AM Depart hotel
- 10:00 AM *Strategic Survey of Jerusalem, Part I:*
Outlying Neighborhoods and the Security Barrier

- 11:15 AM Depart for the President's Residence
Security check
- 12:15 PM Lunch
- at the President's Residence
- 1:00 PM Meeting with the Honorable Reuven Rivlin
President of the State of Israel
- Address by the President
 - Response by Mr. Hoyer
- 2:15 PM Depart for hotel
- 4:00 PM Depart hotel
- 4:15 PM *Strategic Survey of Jerusalem, Part II:*
The Old City & the Holy Basin
- 7:15 PM Depart
- 7:30 PM *Tikkun Olam: Repairing the World*
Dinner with
- Tsahi Ben Ishay, Tour Groups Operator, Brothers for Life
 - Ilan Fluss, Director of Policy Planning, MASHAV, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
 - Dr. Clive Lipchin, Director, Center for Transboundary Water Management
 - Dr. Sefi Mendelovich, Pediatric Department, Sha'are Zedek Medical Center
 - Leora Sali, Co-Manager, Roim Rachok Program
 - Tamar Shapira, Director of International Relations Save a Child's Heart
 - Nadav Tamir, Director of International Affairs, Peres & Associates
 - Racheli Yaso, Development Officer and Visitors' Relations Director, Yemin Orde
- at The Khan Theatre Courtyard
- 9:30 PM Overnight at the King David Hotel

Thursday, August 6, 2015

- 7:15 AM Breakfast is served
- at the hotel, Ambassador's Hall
- 8:15 AM Depart hotel
- 8:45 AM *Remembering the Victims of the Holocaust*
Guided tour of Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial and Museum

11:00 AM Depart

12:00 PM *Palestinian Entrepreneurship and the Start-Up Region*
Lunch with

- Yadin Kaufmann, Founding Partner, Veritas Ventures Partners
- Fareed Qaddoura, CTO, Freightos
- Saed Nashef, Partner, Veritas Ventures Partners

- at Angelica

1:15 PM Depart

1:45 PM *The View from Ramallah: Israeli-Palestinian Relations*
Meeting with the Honorable Shukri Bishara
Minister of Finance, The Palestinian Authority
- at St. George Hotel, Musrara Hall

3:00 PM Depart

4:30 PM *Israel's Narrow Waistline*
Strategic briefing at Alfei Menashe Overlook

5:15 PM Depart, travel north

En route briefing:
The Jazreel Valley – The Natural Land Bridge between Africa and Asia

7:15 PM Check in to the Scots Hotel

8:00 PM Depart for dinner

8:15 PM Dinner
- at Decks

10:00 PM Overnight at the Scots Hotel

Friday, August 7, 2015

7:30 AM Breakfast is served
- at the hotel, Main Dining Hall

8:30 AM Depart

- 8:45 AM *Historical and Religious Significance of the Sea of Galilee*
- Mt. of Beatitudes
 - St. Peter's Church
- 10:30 AM Survey ends, travel to the Golan Heights
- 11:15 AM *Israel's Northern Border Concerns, Part I: Israel's Border with Syria*
Strategic briefing with Brig.-Gen. Ofek Buchris, Head, IDF 210th Division
- at Coffee Anan, Mt. Bental
- 12:30 PM Depart
- 1:00 PM *Treating Victims of Syria's Civil War*
Lunch with Dr. Masad Barhoum
Director General, Galilee Medical Center
- at HaBokrim
- 2:30 PM Depart
- 3:30 PM *Israel's Northern Border Concerns, Part II: Israel's Border with Lebanon*
Strategic briefing with Maj.-Gen. (Res.) Noam Tibon
Immediate Past Commander of the IDF Northern Corps
- at Misgav Am Overlook
- 4:30 PM Travel back to Jerusalem via the Jordan Valley
- En route briefing:
The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan & the Middle East in Upheaval
- 7:00 PM Arrive at the King David Hotel
- 8:30 PM Depart hotel
- 9:00 PM *Reflections on the Sabbath in Jerusalem*
Traditional Sabbath Eve dinner hosted by
Jerusalem families
- Debbie and Barry Eisenberg
 - Karyn and Joe Gellman
 - Judy and Shmuel Klitsner
 - Naomi and Jonathan Schachter-Price
- at their homes in Jerusalem
- 11:00 PM Overnight at the King David Hotel

Saturday, August 8, 2015

Group 1:

- 6:00 AM Continental breakfast
- at the hotel, Reading Room
- 6:30 AM Depart for Masada
- 8:00 AM *Geopolitics of the Roman Empire – Lessons for Today*
Tour of Masada National Archaeological Site
- 9:30 AM *Exploration of the Dead Sea Region*
Dead Sea Visit and Breakfast
- at Herods Hotel
- 11:00 AM Depart for Jerusalem
- En route briefing:
Making the Desert Bloom – Israel's Experience in Eco-Agriculture in Arid Areas
- 12:30 PM Arrive at the King David Hotel
Depart for Bethlehem

Group 2:

- 8:30 AM Breakfast on own
- at the hotel, Main Dining Hall
- 9:30 AM Depart for the Israel Museum
- 10:00 AM Guided tour of the Israel Museum
- 11:30 AM Depart
- 12:00 PM Arrive at the King David Hotel
- 12:30 PM Lunch
- at the hotel, Main Dining Hall
- 3:30 PM Depart for Bethlehem

Members only:

- 12:30 PM Depart hotel for Ramallah

1:00 PM Lunch with Dr. Salam Fayyad
Former Prime Minister, The Palestinian Authority
- at the Movenpick Hotel

2:30 PM Depart for Jerusalem

Full group:

3:30 PM Depart for Bethlehem

3:45 PM Visit to Bethlehem

- Church of the Nativity
- Manger Square
- Milk Grotto

5:45 PM Depart for Jerusalem

7:00 PM Depart hotel

7:30 PM *Start-Up Nation*
Dinner with Israeli innovators

- Inbal Arieli, VP of Strategic Partnerships, Start-Up Nation Central
- Gideon Ben-Zvi, Founder and Chairman, BriefCam
- Debby Elnatan, Founder, UpSee
- Assaf Rappaport, Co-Founder and CEO, Adallom

Moderated by Dan Senor, Co-Author, *Start-Up Nation*
- at the Mamilla Hotel Rooftop Restaurant

9:30 PM Overnight at the King David Hotel

Sunday, August 9, 2015

8:00 AM Breakfast is served
- at the hotel, Jaffa Hall

8:30 AM *Strategic Threats Overview*
Breakfast with Dr. Jonathan Spyer
Senior Research Fellow,
Global Research in International Affairs Center Interdisciplinary Center, Herzliya
- at the hotel, Jaffa Hall

10:00 AM *A View from the Opposition*
Meeting with the Hon. Isaac Herzog
Head, Zionist Union Party
- at the hotel, Jaffa Hall

11:00 AM	Lunch - at the hotel, Ambassador's Hall
12:15 PM	Depart for Prime Minister's Office Security check
2:00 PM	Meeting with the Honorable Benjamin Netanyahu Prime Minister of the State of Israel - at Prime Minister's Office
3:45 PM	Depart
4:15 PM	<i>Minority Rights in Israel</i> With <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mohammed Darawshe, Director of Planning, Equality and Shared Living, Givat Haviva Educational Institute ▪ Sigal Kanotopsky, CEO, Olim Beyahad ▪ Tziona Koenig-Yair, National Commissioner, Equal Employment Opportunities Commission ▪ Dan Slyper, LGBTQ Caucus, Yesh Atid Party - at Olmaya
5:00 PM	<i>The Iranian Threat</i> Meeting with Maj.-Gen. (Ret.) Amos Yadlin Director, Institute for National Security Studies Former Head, IDF Intelligence - at Olmaya
6:00 PM	Depart for hotel
7:30 PM	Meeting with the Republican Delegation - at the hotel, Ambassador's Hall
8:00 PM	<i>The U.S.-Israel Relationship</i> Dinner with the Hon. Daniel Shapiro U.S. Ambassador to Israel With the Republican Members of Congress Educational Seminar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Remarks by Mr. Hoyer ▪ Remarks by Mr. McHenry - at the hotel, President's Hall
10:00 PM	Overnight at the King David Hotel

Monday, August 10, 2015

- 8:00 AM Breakfast is served
 - at the hotel, Jaffa Hall
- 9:30 AM Depart, travel south
- 11:00 AM *Life in the Shadow of Rocket Fire*
 ■ Tour of Kibbutz Kfar Aza with local residents
 Chen Abrahams Kotler, Tzachi Levy and Ralph Lewinsohn
 ■ Lunch with soldiers at Kibbutz Nir-Am
 ■ Strategic briefing at Iron Dome Battery in Ashkelon
- 3:30 PM Depart for Tel Aviv
- 5:00 PM Day rooms, prepare for departure
 - at the Crowne Plaza City Center Hotel
- 7:00 PM *Bringing it All Together*
 Closing dinner
 - at the Crowne Plaza City Center Hotel, AB Hall
- 8:30 PM Depart for the airport
- 11:10 PM The flight to Newark Liberty International Airport departs

Tuesday, August 11, 2015

- 12:10 AM The flight to John F. Kennedy International Airport departs
- 4:15 AM The flight to Newark Liberty International Airport arrives
- 5:03 AM The flight to John F. Kennedy International Airport arrived
- Morning Members depart Newark Liberty International and John F. Kennedy International Airports for their final destinations.